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[c01] (Previously Presented) A method of providing communications services, comprising:

receiving a first data stream at a computer, the first data stream comprising packets of data packetized according to a packet protocol;

recursively segmenting the first data stream into segments, such that a characteristic of a preceding segment determines how a current segment is segmented;

dispersing the segments via a network for subsequent processing services; receiving results of the processing services;

aggregating the results of the processing services into a second data stream; and communicating the second data stream via the network.

- [c02] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising receiving a request for the first data stream, the request originating from a client communications device.
- [c03] (Previously Presented) A method of providing communications services, comprising:

receiving data at a computer, the data received as packets of data packetized according to a packet protocol;

segmenting the packets of data into segments according to a segmentation profile stored in memory;

dispersing at least one of the segments via a network for a subsequent processing service;

receiving results of the subsequent processing service;

aggregating the results of the subsequent processing service; and

communicating the aggregated results to a client communications device, wherein the aggregated results are formatted according to the segmentation profile.

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- [c04] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, further comprising processing at least one of the segments at a network device operating in the communications network.
- [c05] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein dispersing the segments comprises dispersing according to the segmentation profile.
- [c06] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a template, the template describing a repetitive structure of the packets of data.
- [c07] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a dynamic requirement.
- [c08] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a network performance requirement.
- [c09] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to availability of routing within the communications network.
- [c10] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to availability of the subsequent processing service.
- [c11] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a network location of the subsequent processing service.

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- [c12] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a characteristic of the client communications device.
- [c13] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a security requirement.
- [c14] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a privacy requirement.
- [c15] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a Service Level Agreement.
- [c16] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a subscriber's schedule.
- [c17] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to a subscriber's presence.
- [c18] (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein segmenting the packets of data comprises segmenting according to communications network resources of which a subscriber may access.
- [c19] (Previously Presented) A system, comprising:

means for receiving a first data stream at a computer, the first data stream comprising packets of data packetized according to a packet protocol;

means for recursively segmenting the first data stream into segments, such that a characteristic of a preceding segment determines how a current segment is segmented;

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means for dispersing the segments via a network for subsequent processing services;

means for receiving results of the processing services;

means for aggregating the results of the processing services into a second data stream; and

means for communicating the second data stream via the network.

[c20] (Previously Presented) A computer program product comprising processor executable instructions for performing a method, the method comprising:

receiving a first data stream at a computer, the first data stream comprising packets of data packetized according to a packet protocol:

recursively segmenting the first data stream into segments, such that a characteristic of a preceding segment determines how a current segment is segmented;

dispersing the segments via a network for subsequent processing services; receiving results of the processing services;

aggregating the results of the processing services into a second data stream; and communicating the second data stream via the network.